

**§ 58-43-35. Punishment for issuing fire policies contrary to law.**

Any insurance company or agent who makes, issues, or delivers a policy of fire insurance in willful violation of the provisions of Articles 1 through 64 of this Chapter that prohibit a domestic insurance company from issuing policies before obtaining a license from the Commissioner; or that prohibit the issuing of a fire insurance policy for more than the fair value of the property or for a longer term than seven years; or that prohibit stipulations in insurance contracts restricting the jurisdiction of courts, or limiting the time within which an action may be brought to less than one year after the cause of action accrues or to less than six months after a nonsuit by the plaintiff, shall be guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction, be punished only by a fine of not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) nor more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000); but the policy shall be binding upon the company issuing it. (1899, c. 54, s. 99; 1903, c. 438, s. 10; Rev., s. 4832; C.S., s. 6433; 1985, c. 666, s. 27; 1993, c. 539, s. 466; 1994, Ex. Sess., c. 24, s. 14(c); 1999-132, s. 9.2.)